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5. [] Met with Representative Dante Fascell (D., Fla.) concerning a local problem that is developing in the Cuban community relating to alleged organized bombing, extortion, and so forth by individuals representing themselves to be CIA, Customs, and FBI trained individuals some of whom apparently allege present association with one or another of these organizations. Jack Maury joined the meeting just as it was concluding. It was agreed that we would see what information is available in the Agency for further discussion with Representative Fascell early in the week. [] DCS, and [] WH Division, have been advised.

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7. [] Talked to Sidney Buford, Department of State, about S. Con. Res. 23, establishing a joint committee on information and intelligence, which was introduced by Senator William Hathaway (D., Maine) and referred to the Armed Services Committee. I told Buford that we had just received the request for comments from Senator Stennis and he would like to have the benefit of our comments for their reply. I told him that I thought our position might be the customary deferring to Congress on the committee jurisdiction angle and probably pointing out that the definition used to cover informational activities is so broad that it would cover every executive agency or department which had any informational program at all, and finally that some of the activities of the committee could be considered an incursion of the separation of powers. I told Buford that we would provide a copy of our comments as soon as they are drawn together.

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8. [] Picked up from Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, two copies of Ambassador Helms' testimony before the Committee. One copy was given to General Walters and the other to Mr. Colby. State has been provided a copy for Mr. Helms, presumably for corrections and return to the Committee.

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